

For President,
GROVER CLEVELAND,
Of New York.

For Vice-President,
THOMAS A. HENDRICKS,
Of Indiana.

DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

For Governor,
JOHN S. MARMADUKE,
Of St. Louis.

For Lieutenant-Governor,
A. P. MOREHOUSE,
Of Nodaway.

For Secretary of State,
MICHAEL K. MCGRATH,
Of St. Louis.

For Treasurer,
J. M. SEIBERT,
Of Cape Girardeau.

For Auditor,
JOHN WALKER,
Of Howard.

For Supreme Judge,
FRANCIS M. BLACKS,
Of Jackson.

For Register of Land,
ROBERT MCGILLICHO,
Of Cooper.

For Attorney General,
B. G. BOONE,
Of Henry.

For Railroad Commissioner,
WM. G. DOWNING,
Of Scotland.

For Congress—7th District,
J. E. HUTTON,
Of Audrain.

For State Senator—11th District,
DAVID A. BALL,
Of Pike.

County Democratic Ticket.

For Representative—W. H. KEMAN,
For Treasurer—W. H. LEE,
For Circuit Clerk—J. G. JOHNSON,
For Sheriff—J. W. WATKINS,
For Assessor—J. W. BEATTY,
For Collector—J. T. NELSON,
For Prosecuting Attorney—J. W. NELSON,
For County Surveyor—J. W. NELSON,
For Judge Eastern District—J. W. NELSON,
For Judge Western District—J. W. NELSON,
For Constable North River—J. W. NELSON,
For Constable South River—J. W. NELSON,
For Coroner—J. W. NELSON,
For Public Administrator—J. W. NELSON.

Vote YES on the First Constitutional Amendment, which is the one favoring a Court of Appeals, which is greatly needed.

Democrats, don't scratch your ticket.

Men who scratch Marmaduke or Hutton are not Democrats.

Audrain will poll her usual democratic majority for every man on the ticket.

The Republicans will—beg, borrow or steal Indiana. U. S. Marshals will run the election.

The returns from the presidential election will be posted on the Ledger bulletin in front of telegraph office as fast as received.

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Our poultry yard is in good shape and our roosters would like to appear in full force next week. If nothing happens the Ledger's next week will be a poultry journal.

Why is it?

Some of the democrats who do the most talking and have so much to say about who is and who is not fit for office; who should be nominated and who should not be and what shall be done with those who do not favor the nomination of any one who happens to displease them. These democrats we notice are furnishing neither money nor enthusiasm for the good of the cause. The Democratic party should sit down on useless blowers and spiteful drones.

Different.

We know of a few Democrats who have always supported the ticket and have always preached voting straight. They went into the primaries and took an active part and as men of honor are bound to support the nominees, and at the same time they are going to vote for John A. Brooks. Why, they will not say. We are glad to know they are few and far between. They are old Democrats and are setting the boys a poor example. They would frown on the young democracy if they scratched a ticket.

It seems incredible that at this stage of the campaign there are still weak-minded, feeble-souled wretches who have not made up their minds which side to take in the fight. We can understand the out-and-out bias—the man who calls his candidate a plumed knight and a spotless hero and a brilliant statesman. There is nothing strange or puzzling about that man. Either he is lying or else he is a fool. And we can understand the loyal and conscientious Republican who, who thinks, or thinks he thinks that by electing a Democratic President he shall give the country over to Democratic domination. He is honest, prejudiced and misled. But the conscienceless creature who sits on the fence and waits to see which side will be the winning crowd, that he may join it—he is a marvel of contemptible weakness.

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DEMOCRATS,

AWAKE!

AND DON'T YOU FORGET IT

Grand Rally

IN MEXICO,

TO-MORROW,

(Friday, Oct. 31.)

EVERY DEMOCRAT!

AND EVERY

Cleveland-Hendricks

CLUB

WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE.

500 Horsemen!

Will take part in the parade.

Five brass bands will be in attendance.

The town will be beautifully illuminated.

Gala day for Mexico and a bright night for the party.

Cavalrymen report to H. A. Rickerts, marshal of the day.

Everybody in line and all faced toward the Anti-Bourbons.

Every Democrat within a day's journey of Mexico will be here.

Attention, Democrats.

Mounted men taking part in the great Democratic rally Friday, Oct. 31st, 1884, will meet at Hardin park at 1 o'clock p. m. Sharp. Mounted companies from the county will report to the marshal not later than 12 o'clock Friday in order that they may be assigned proper places in the procession.

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NARROW ESCAPE.

Experience of a Mexico Lady and Child With a Lunatic at Fulton.

Letter From Superintendent Smith.

The St. Louis Chronicle still whacks it into the Fulton insane asylum, and we clip the following from the Sunday issue. The lady referred to is Mrs. Callie Potet Dunn, of this city, and the child, her bright little boy, Jim. They were visiting in Fulton at the time referred to:

CRAZY MEN AT A BASE BALL GAME. Special to St. Louis Chronicle.

FULTON, Mo., October 24.—Last Monday while a game of base ball was being played in the valley near town, a couple of lunatics came out to the bluff. One of them picked up a little child that stood near its mother, looking at the game, and pressed it under his arm and struck it across the face with a small stick, frightening the mother almost into hysterics. She recovered her child, however, before further injury could be done. The lady believes the lunatic would have hurt her darling over a deep bluff had she not interfered promptly. The citizens of Fulton protest against these lunatics running at large in the city, but the protestations seem to have no effect on the asylum authorities.

We publish the following letter from Superintendent Smith of the asylum, not by permission, but because we happen to have it in our possession. No matter how we got it, we think it clearly shows that Dr. Smith does all in his power to govern the asylum for the best good of the patients and all concerned. No one knows what a responsible and hard position he has to fill:

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STATE LUNATIC ASYLUM, FULTON, Mo., Oct. 22, '84.

Mrs. H. J. DUNN, Mexico, Mo.—Dear Madam:—I have just learned that one of our patients, during the progress of the base ball game on Monday, suddenly seized your little son, and before he could be secured, struck him with such force as inflicted serious injury. Rest assured, I most deeply regret the occurrence. The young man, who committed the deed, has been here nearly six years, and the greater part of the time, had the privilege of walking out of the asylum, and never before, as far as known to me, manifested the least disposition, while out, to commit violence upon any one, much less a little child, but, on the contrary, behaved himself with great propriety in the presence of others. Hence, in view of his previous orderly deportment, my surprise was great when I heard that he had struck a little child. Some halucination must have suddenly seized him with such force that he lost all self-control. This patient has been for years on the first and most quiet hall in our building, and has uniformly kept the nicest room and most tastefully made up bed of any male patient in the asylum.

I have thought proper to make this statement, lest you might think we are in the habit of allowing dangerous patients such liberty as he had. We are far from permitting patients, to even suspected to be dangerous, to enjoy the liberty of walking out alone. The commission of violence upon your little son was as unexpected to me as to yourself. It has always been my practice to let our quiet and convalescent patients as much liberty as possible, consistent with their own safety and that of others. This cause hastens the recovery of the curable and largely contributes to the contentment, good health, and quietness of the incurable. The confidence we repose in their premises in allowing them the liberty of our grounds, and, occasionally, walking to town, attending some public exhibition, etc., is very greatly increased by their every thought of imprisonment impress them with the belief that our best efforts are being exerted to promote their enjoyment and recovery. Such liberties are not only highly gratifying to the patients themselves, but equally so to their relatives and friends. This course accords with the most enlightened humanity and the practice of every well-managed hospital for the insane in Europe or at, in the United States.

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G. BLUM & CO.,

North Side Public Square, Mexico, Mo.

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The management by the people of the affairs of this country, however, is such that the needs of the people and the State is enough to insure their support of any proper measure, though an additional cost may be necessary.

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NOTICE.
The board of directors of the Mexico Savings Bank at Mexico, Missouri, did, on the 28th day of October, 1884, make their order of record that the capital stock of the bank be increased over and beyond the amount of the capital stock at present established and existing, in the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, that is to say two hundred and fifty shares of the par value of one hundred dollars a share. And the stockholders of said bank are hereby notified that a meeting of the stockholders is hereby called and will be held at the banking house of said bank in said city of Mexico at 1 o'clock p. m., on the 31st day of December, 1884, for the purpose of electing a committee to be charged with the duty of making and reporting to the stockholders at such meeting a plan for the accomplishment of the object for which said meeting was called, and to make such other and further arrangements as may be deemed advisable by them. W. M. STUART,
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—OF THE—

STATE OF MISSOURI,

—PROPOSED BY THE—

THIRTY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY, TO BE VOTED ON AT THE GENERAL ELECTION OF 1884.

FIRST CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.
(Concerning the judicial department—Courts of appeals.)

Concurrent resolution submitting to the qualified voters of the State of Missouri an amendment to the constitution thereof, concerning the judicial department.

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring therein: That at the general election to be held on the Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, A. D. 1884, the following amendment to the constitution of the State of Missouri, concerning the judicial department, shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said State, to wit:

SECTION 1. The jurisdiction of the St. Louis court of appeals is hereby extended so as to be co-extensive with the counties of Monroe, Shelby, Knox, Scotland, Lincoln, Clark, Lewis, Marion, Ralls, Pike, Warren, St. Charles, St. Louis, Jefferson, Ste. Genevieve, Perry, Cape Girardeau, Scott, Mississippi, New Madrid, Pemiscot, Dunklin, Stoddard, Wayne, Bollinger, Madison, St. Francois, Washington, Franklin, Crawford, Iron, Reynolds, Carter, Butler, Ripley, Oregon, Shannon, Dent, Phelps, Polk, Dallas, Howell, Ozark, Douglas, Wright, Laclede, Webster, Christian, Taney, Stone, Greene, Lawrence, Jasper, Newton and McDonald, as well as the city of St. Louis, and each and every county and city within the jurisdiction thereof, when hereafter elected, judges thereof, when hereafter elected, shall be elected by the qualified voters of the counties and of the city under the jurisdiction of said court, and shall be a resident of said territorial appellate district.

SECTION 2. There is hereby established at Kansas City an appellate court, to be known as the Kansas City court of appeals, the jurisdiction of which shall be co-extensive with all the counties in the State, except those embraced in the jurisdiction of the St. Louis court of appeals. There shall be held in each year two terms of said Kansas City court of appeals, one on the first Monday of March and one on the first Monday of October. The Kansas City court of appeals shall consist of three judges, who shall be elected by the qualified voters of the counties under the jurisdiction of said court, and shall be residents of said territorial appellate district.

SECTION 3. The general assembly shall have power by law to create one additional court of appeals, with a new district therefor; to change the limits of the appellate districts, and the names of the counties of appeals, designating the districts by numbers or otherwise; to change the time of holding the terms of said court of appeals; to divide the jurisdiction of the court of appeals; to provide for the transfer of cases from one court of appeals to the supreme court, and to provide for the hearing and determination of such cases by the courts to which they